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TO: All Agencies/Campuses in the Uniform State Payroll System

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## RE: 2008/2009 RETIREMENT EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS

As a result of the delay in the passage/signing of the 2008/2009 Budget Act, the new Public Employees' Retirement System employer contribution rates were not implemented timely. As such, retirement contributions withheld from payments issued dated July 2 through September 22, 2008 were calculated using the 2007/2008 rates.

Our office will implement an interim "adjusted" rate for the payments issue dated September 23, 2008 through October 1, 2008. These rates will compensate for the differences in withholding of employer contributions during the months of July and August. The "adjusted" rates are as follows:

Miscellaneous-1 <sup>st</sup> Tier	16.456%
Miscellaneous-2 <sup>nd</sup> Tier	16.280%
State Industrial	17.018%
State Safety	17.563%
Highway Patrol	32.023%
Peace Officer/Firefighter	27.088%

For payrolls issue dated October 2, 2008 and thereafter, the employer rates in the 2008/2009 Budget Act will be used and are as follows:

Miscellaneous-1 <sup>st</sup> Tier	16.574%
Miscellaneous-2 <sup>nd</sup> Tier	16.470%
State Industrial	17.236%
Safety	18.411%
Highway Patrol	32.149%
POFF	26.064%

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